



Navajo Name: Kinlitsoh sinili (Group Of Yellow Houses)

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CHURCH ROCK CHAPTER

Navajo name: Kin[its]oh sinil7

Interpretation: Group of yellow houses

Indian Population: 1980 Census: 1,633

1990 Census: 1,684

2000 Census: 2,737

Estimated land size: 52,719.15 Acres

Land Management District : 16

GOVERNMENT

Number of Chapter NTC delegate(s): 2

Delegates shared with: Bread Springs

Number of police officer(s): 3

Navajo Police district office covering Chapter :

Crownpoint District

Tribal offices that provide services within Chapter :

Churchrock Chapter Administration

Navajo Aging Services Senior Program

Navajo Department of Workforce

Department of Head Start

Division of Social Services

Community Health Representative

Department of Behavioral Health

Navajo Veterans Administration

Navajo Environmental Protection Agency

Navajo Division of Water Resources

MEDICAL

Hospital(s) & clinic(s) where most Chapter people go:

Hospital Town

Gallup Indian Medical Center Gallup, NM

Clinic Town

Fort Wingate Dental Clinic Ft. Wingate, NM

EDUCATION

Total enrollment by school (Fall of 2003):

School Enrolled

Church Rock Elementary Sch. nr

Gallup High School nr

JFK Middle Schoolnr

Wingate Elementary Schoolnr

Wingate High School nr

Church Rock Head Start Cntrs70

COMMUNICATIONS*Regular TV reception; stations received:*

<u>Call Letters</u>	<u>Town</u>
KOAT	Albuquerque, NM
KRQE	Albuquerque, NM
KOB	Albuquerque, NM
KNME	Albuquerque, NM

Clear AM radio stations received:

<u>Call Letters</u>	<u>Town</u>
KYVA	Gallup, NM
KGAK	Gallup, NM
KTNN	Window Rock, AZ

Clear FM radio stations received:

<u>Call Letters</u>	<u>Town</u>
KKOR	Gallup, NM
KQNM	Gallup, NM
KGLX	Gallup, NM

Newspaper received within the Chapter :

<u>Name of Paper</u>	<u>Town</u>
The Independent	Gallup, NM
Navajo Times	Window Rock, AZ

CIVIC*Churches:*

Name of Church
 Catholic Church
 Christian Reform
 Pentecostal
 Church of God
 Harvest Time

Indigenous:

Traditional Navajo Religion
 Native American Church

COMMERCIAL*Available establishments in the Chapter :*

Gas Station	1	
Convenience Store	1	
Trading Post	1	
Red Rock State Park		1

TRANSPORTATION*Paved roads through the chapter area:*

Interstate 40
 State of New Mexico Route 566
 U. S. Historic 66

Distances to:

Agency: Crownpoint 50 miles
 Window Rock 35 miles
 Gallup, NM 10 miles

MAJOR EMPLOYERS

Indian Plaza nr
 Thompson's Store nr

Rehoboth Christian School nr
 Mustang nr
 Red Rock State Park nr
 Church Rock Academy nr
 Church Rock Mine nr
CHURCH ROCK CHAPTER (Continued)

Pre-Schools nr
 Navajo Nation/Chapter Officialsnr
 Meridian Oil Co. nr
 Hamilton Construction Co. nr
 Bureau of Indian Affairs nr
 Indian Health Servicentr

LOCAL NATURAL RESOURCES

Sand &. Gravel
 Uranium
 Coal
 Scenery (tourism)

COMMUNITY/COOPERATIVE FARMING

None.

BRIEF OVERVIEW OF CHAPTER

The Church Rock Chapter House is located north of the junction between State Route 56 and the old U.S. Route 66, generally within 6 miles east of Gallup, New Mexico. Church Rock Estates Housing Subdivision has replaced the Indian Village once located in the Church Rock Community that housed employees at the Ft. Wingate Army Depot during World War II. The Fort Defiance Housing Corporation built the new housing units around 2001. The Chapter received its name from the old village "Kin[itsoh sinil7", or "group of yellow houses" in English.

The now famous Red Rock State Park is within the boundaries of the Church Rock Chapter, however is situated on State land. Annually, the "Indian Ceremonial" is held during the second weekend of August. Other major events like the Gallup Lions Club Rodeo and National High School Rodeo Finals are held there annually. Often conferences are held at the state park due to relatively large-scale accommodations.

Church Rock Chapter has 10 units of low rent NHA housing east of the chapter house; 60 more units are located west of State Route 566 and 40 more units at the Sundance sub-division south of I-40.

Some of the remote areas of the community have significant archaeological sites such as ancient petroglyphs, kiva circles and remnants of Anasazi ruins. Land within the Church Rock Chapter consists of different ownership status, including Tribal trust lands, individual Indian allotments, federal, state and private lands with large corridors of right-of-way for utility lines, roads, etc. Being located adjacent to Red Rock State Park and the City of Gallup enable the chapter to generate revenues through related activities and provides some access to employment.

A Church Rock Land Use Plan has been developed with technical assistance implemented of Architectural Research, Inc. of Albuquerque, NM and development according to the plan is being aggressively pursued.

This community has established partnerships and cooperative activities with other organizations to develop solutions to underlying problems and to promote small business development and jobs through its Tourism Action Corporation.

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